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### **“Team Peters” Helps With California Coastal Cleanup Day Efforts**

SAN DIEGO -- On Saturday, September 20, 2008 for the seventh year in a row, Council President Scott Peters and his staff, “Team Peters,” served as site captains at Torrey Pines State Beach as part of California Coastal Cleanup Day. The picturesque beach and adjacent bike trail is noticeably cleaner, thanks to the efforts of the nearly 140 volunteers who came to help. For taking part in the event, 74 scouts earned a special badge for participating, and many students are three hours closer to completing their school’s community service requirements.

“It’s always gratifying to see the turnout for this event,” said Peters, “though it’s terrible that people still litter as much as they do. Our beaches are worthy of our care and protection.”

With sunscreen on their faces and a plastic glove on one hand, volunteers picked up nearly 300 pounds of trash and debris, including expected items, such as discarded beverage cans, cigarette butts, plastic bags and food containers, and unusual ones, such as a television set, some seat cushions and a golf ball (one of Tiger’s errant swings from the U.S. Open, perhaps?).

California Coastal Cleanup Day is 60-site effort hosted by I Love a Clean San Diego and San Diego Coastkeeper. Last year, countywide, 6,212 volunteers collected more than 94,000 pounds of debris.

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